

CIVIC BRIEFS

'Annie' comes to Music Box

"Annie," the popular family musical, will be presented by the Music Box Repertory Company Feb. 21, 25-28, March 4-7 and 11-14 at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swyersville. Curtain is 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays and 3 p.m. Sundays.

For information and reservations, call 283-2195.

Breakfast buffet set

The Noxen Volunteer Fire Company will hold a breakfast buffet from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. today, Feb. 21, at the fire hall on Stull Road, Noxen.

Price is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children under 12 years of age.

Zen Meditation program offered

An introduction to Zen Meditation will be held from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 23, at Mercy Center on the campus of Misericordia University.

The program includes an explanation of Zen meditation, a brief practice period and time for questions.

Pre-registration is required by calling Sr. Barbara Craig at 675-1872. A free-will offering will be taken.

Music Box schedules auditions

The Music Box Repertory Company will hold auditions for "The Great American Trailer Park Musical," a new show about agoraphobia, adultery, 80s nostalgia, spray cheese, road kill, hysterical pregnancy, a broken electric chair, kleptomania, strippers, flan and disco, at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 24, at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swyersville.

Anyone over the age of 18 is invited to audition. The cast consists of five women and two men and all roles are open. Those auditioning should prepare a brief song and bring sheet music; an accompanist will be provided. Performance dates are April 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25.

Scout Sunday program planned at DUMC

Pack and Troop 281 of Dallas United Methodist Church will hold a Scout Sunday program at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 28.

All Scouts and leaders in uniform, as well as parents, are asked to assemble at 10:15 a.m. Refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Room following the service.

For further information, call

Nancy McDonald at 675-3133.

Alzheimer's support group meets

The Dallas Alzheimer's support group will meet at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 4, in the Chapel of the Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 55 W. Center Hill Rd., Dallas.

Guest speaker will be Jim Siberski, professor of Geriatric Care Management at Misericordia University.

Health Fair planned at Meadows Center

Cura Hospitality at The Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center will host its sixth annual Health Fair from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, March 10, in honor of National Nutrition Month.

Various health-related companies will join Cura Hospitality with information, brochures, samples, hearing screens, massages, Daffodil Days pre-sales and more. A healthy lunch will be available for purchase and the community is invited free of charge.

Round Table Civil War meeting scheduled

The Wyoming Valley Civil War Round Table will hold its annual dinner meeting at 6 p.m. on Thursday, March 11, at the

Lakeside Skillet, Harveys Lake. Reservations and payment of \$22 per person are needed by March 5.

Joseph Mieczkowski and his wife, Christine, will present their program on "Gettysburg As You've Never Seen It" in a Power Point presentation. They will be attired in authentic Civil War era clothing.

Those wishing to make reservations may call Lynn at 639-1283.

Eastern Star plans soup sale

The Eastern Star Building Association is holding a soup sale. Chicken noodle and vegetable beef soup are available at \$4.50 a quart.

Orders must be placed by Friday, March 12, by calling Pug Berti at 675-7247 or Dianne Corby at 675-4893.

Chicken and biscuit dinner planned

The Eastern Star Building Association will hold a chicken and biscuit dinner from 4:30 to 7 p.m. on Friday, March 12, at Eastern Star Hall, Foster Street, Dallas. Takeouts are available from 4 to 7 p.m.

Tickets, at \$7.50 for adults and \$4 for children, will be sold at the door. Pre-school children eat for free.

The association's famous Welsh cookies will be available for purchase.

Spring Craft Sale planned

The Eighth Annual Spring Craft Sale of the Dallas Chapter Eastern Star Building Association will be held from 9 to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 20, in the Eastern Star building, Foster Street and Woodlawn Avenue, Dallas.

Vendors will sell various items and Eastern Star members will serve lunch, featuring homemade soups, whimpies, hot dogs, haluski and desserts. The group's famous Welsh cookies will also be available for purchase.

For information on table reservations, call Dianne Coby at 675-4893.

Pack, Troop 155 prepare for Scout Sunday service



Cub Scout Pack 155 and Boy Scout Troop 155 invite all current and past Scouts, Scoutmasters, assistant Scoutmasters and Eagle Scouts to a Scout Sunday Service at 11 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 28, at the Trucksville United Methodist Church to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Scouting and the 60th anniversary of the pack and troop. There will be an open house following the service in Fellowship Hall with cake, coffee and punch. Those attending are asked to bring memorabilia to share with the group. From left, are Don Kretchmer, Scoutmaster of Troop 155; and George Bath, Cubmaster of Pack 155.

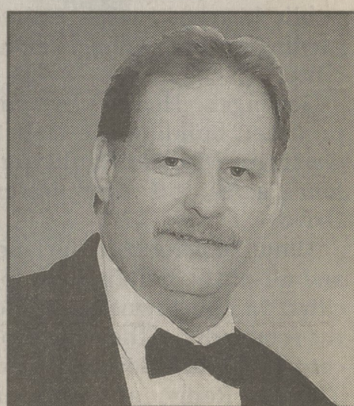
Barry Wagner will be honored

A testimonial dinner honoring Barry T. Wagner, PM will be held at the Appletree Terrace at Newberry Estates in Dallas on Saturday, April 10.

The testimonial dinner is in recognition of Wagner serving as Worshipful Master of George M. Dallas Lodge No. 531, Free and Accepted Masons for the 2009 Masonic year.

Hors d'oeuvres will begin at 5:30 p.m. with dinner set for 6:30 p.m., followed by testimonial presentations and dancing.

Cost of dinner is \$32 per person and payment is to be made no later than March 29.



Barry T. Wagner, PM

For additional information, contact Robert Lewis, PM at 823-1214.

OBITUARIES

CASTERLINE - Mabel L., 67, of Sweet Valley, died Tuesday, Feb. 9, 2010 at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born in Kingston on Sept. 22, 1942, she resided in Harveys Lake most of her life, prior to moving to Sweet Valley nine years ago.

She served in the U.S. Marine Corps in the early 1960s.

She was a member of the Kunkle United Methodist Church.

Surviving are her daughters, Robin Zacharias and Jodi Wilson, both of Harveys Lake, and Amy Long, of Dallas; six grandchildren; a sister, Esther Sutton, of Lehman Township; numerous nieces and nephews.

COLE - Loretta M., of Harveys Lake, formerly of North Wilkes-Barre, died Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2010 at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born in Wilkes-Barre, she was a graduate of Coughlin High School, class of 1936. She had been employed in several area shoe and dress factories.

Prior to her retirement, she and her late husband, John Cole Sr., owned and operated the Leisure Tavern, North Pennsylvania Avenue, Wilkes-Barre, and Leisure Tavern II, Luzerne Avenue, West Pittston, for more than 20 years.

She was a member of the Cross Creek Community Church, Shavertown.

Surviving are her son, John III, Harveys Lake; two grandchildren; brother, Charles F. Finn, Wilkes-Barre, several nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to Cross Creek Community Church, 370 Carverton Rd., Shavertown, PA 18708.

GRUVER - Robert James, of Amelia, Va., formerly of Shavertown, died on Sunday, February 14, 2010 at home.

Born in Bear Creek Township, he served honorably in the U.S. Navy from 1950 to 1954. He was formerly employed as a truck driver, retiring from Biscontin Construction. After retirement, he worked part time for Hunlock Sand and Gravel as a truck driver.

He was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Nanticoke, since 1970 and of the American Legion Post 781, Mountain Top.

Surviving are his wife, Nancy, Amelia, Va.; son, Robert, Forty Fort; sister, Mary Ellen Natt, Luzerne; brothers, Gerald, Manayunk; and Kenneth, Nanticoke.

LOPATIO - Anne Stenach, 80, of Plymouth and Harveys Lake, died on Saturday, Feb. 13, 2010 at the Mercy Center Skilled Nursing Unit where she had been a patient for several months.

A native of Plymouth, she was a member of the Class of 1946 at Plymouth High School. In 1950, she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in business from the College of New Rochelle (CNR) in New Rochelle, N.Y.

In 1980, she received the Ursula Laurus Award in recognition of distinguished service to the college in furthering the high ideals and the rich traditions of Ursuline education.

She was a partner with her husband in the John Stenach Ford Co., a dealership founded by her father in 1934. She was a substitute teacher for business education in the Wilkes-Barre and Wyoming Valley West School Districts.

She was active in the building of the Plymouth Public Library and served as the treasurer for the library building committee. She was a member of Kappa Gamma Pi, an honors society for Catholic women's colleges. She was a member of St. Casimir's Church in Lyndwood.

Surviving are a son, Atty. John S. III, Alexandria, Va.; daughters, Atty. Mary A., Washington, D.C.; daughter, Jeanne (Gigi) T., Arlington, Va.; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to the Plymouth Public Library, 107 Main St., Plymouth, PA 18651 or to the College of New Rochelle, 29 Castle Place, New Rochelle, NY 10805-2339.

MAGLI - Florence, of Shavertown, died Saturday, Feb. 13, 2010 at the Laurels Nursing Home in Kingston.

Born in Luzerne on January 2, 1928, she was a graduate of Swyersville High School, Class of 1946. After her marriage in 1955 to Angelo Magli, they moved to Hillside, N.J. where she was employed at Drake's Bakery in Wayne, N.J. for 25 years.

After her retirement, she returned to Shavertown and was a member of Gate of Heaven Parish, Dallas, the Ladies Pa. Slovak Union and the Swyersville Senior Citizens.

Surviving are her husband, Angelo; a son, Dino; brothers, Leo Letoski, of Swyersville; Frank Letoski, of Shavertown; Joseph Letoski, of Wilkes-Barre Township; Robert Letoski, of Portland, Maine; and Emery Letoski, of Ha-

nover Township; sisters, Helen Dwinchick, of Wyoming; and Anna Mae Delaney, of New Jersey; numerous nieces and nephews.

MANNEAR - Charles Henry, 96, died on Thursday, Feb. 11, 2010 at the home of his daughter, Charlene Shoop, in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. He was a former resident of Overbrook Road, Dallas.

Born December 17, 1913 in Wilkes-Barre, he graduated from Kingston High School in 1931 and the Wharton School Extension of the University of Pennsylvania, receiving an associate degree.

He worked at the Wilkes-Barre Lace Manufacturing Co. from 1932 to 1954 and then became the secretary/treasurer of the Kanarr Corporation until retirement in 1972.

He was a member of the Susquehanna Chapter of the Order of DeMolay and was awarded Legion of Honor and Chevalier in the Order. He was a 50-year member of both the Dallas Masonic Lodge No. 531 and Irem units.

He was past president of the Dallas School Board, past president of the West Side Vocational and Technical School Board, past president of the Luzerne County School Board and a former trustee of Luzerne County Community College.

He was a former member of the Wilkes-Barre Rotary and former member, trustee and treasurer of the Shavertown United Methodist Church.

Surviving, in addition to his daughter, Charlene, are daughters, Brenda Susman and Betty Manneer; a son, John; nine grandchildren; 13 grandchildren; one niece.

RUBIN - Stephen R., of Shavertown, died on Friday, Feb. 12, 2010 at his residence.

Born in Newark, N.J. on November 15, 1946, he graduated from Meyers High School, Wilkes-Barre, Class of 1966. He was employed as a mechanical technician.

Surviving are his wife of 37 years, Avis (Clinger) Rubin; one brother, Joseph Yanuzzi, of Toms River, N.J.

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